

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2005 – 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Nationally, initial attack activity was light with 55 fires reported. Three large fires were contained, one in the Southern California Area and two in the Southwest Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona and Texas.

**SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:**

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BART	AZ	TNF	14,534	100	---	180	3	3	2	0	778K
SALERO	AZ	A3S	1,650	100	---	70	4	20	0	0	100K

TNF = Tonto National Forest

A3S = State of Arizona Tucson District

**ALASKA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:**

ISLAND LAKE, Tok Area Forestry. This fire is 45 miles southeast of Northway, AK in spruce and tundra. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jandt) is assigned. Smoldering and creeping fire behavior were reported.

TRACY AVENUE, Kenai Kodiak Area Forestry. This fire is nine miles northeast of Homer, AK in timber. Smoldering in heavy fuels was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ISLAND LAKE	AK	TAS	1,300	65	5/21	213	8	5	4	0	838K
TRACY AVENUE	AK	KKS	5,400	96	UNK	7	0	0	1	1	1.5M

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:**

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
APRICOT	CA	FKU	300	100	---	54	1	4	0	0	NR

FKU = Fresno-Kings Unit, California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection

## OUTLOOK:

**Weather Discussion:** Hotter and drier weather on tap for the Southwest as strong high pressure builds over the area. In Alaska, southeasterly flow will bring another disturbance across the interior today.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>Alaska</b>  Interior... Partly sunny with scattered showers and a chance of thunderstorms. South Central... Partly cloudy with a few showers	Upper 50s to low 70s.	Interior...28% to 38%. South Central... 20% to 35%.	10 to 15 mph.
<b>Southern California</b>  Patchy morning low clouds and fog in coastal areas, otherwise sunny.	65 to 80 mountains. 80 to 90 valleys. 80 to 90 upper deserts. 95 to 105 lower deserts.	15 to 30%.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

### VEHICLE ENTRAPMENT

If you find yourself in a fire entrapment situation where a shelter deployment is not possible, using a vehicle for refuge may be an option. The following are some considerations for a vehicle entrapment:

- Park the vehicle in an area void of vegetation.
- Fire out around the vehicle if there is time.
- Park behind a natural barrier or structure.
- Do not park on the downhill side of a road or under power lines or over-hanging vegetation.
- Stay out of saddles or draws.
- Position the vehicle in a direction that provides the area occupied by crew personnel the maximum protection from an approaching flame front.
- Set the parking break, leave the motor running at high RPM, and keep the vehicle lights on.
- Roll up the windows and do not lock the doors since someone else might need to get in.
- Cover windows with fire shelters with reflective material placed against window.
- You must protect your airway, remain as low in the vehicle as possible, and use a dry bandana to cover your nose and mouth.
- Expect the following conditions if you are trapped inside the vehicle:
  - Temperatures may reach over 200 degrees Fahrenheit.
  - Smoke and sparks may enter the vehicle.
  - Plastic parts may start to melt and give off toxic gases.
  - Windows may start to crack.
  - Exposed skin may receive radiant heat burns.
- If the vehicle catches fire, or windows blow out, and you must exit the vehicle before the fire has passed, then:
  - Each crewmember should cover himself/herself with a fire shelter.
  - Exit the vehicle from the side away from the greatest heat.
  - Stay together and get as low to the ground as possible, moving away from the vehicle.
  - Deploy your shelter in a safe area.

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Northwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1	1
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			20				20
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	5				5	2	12
	ACRES	12				16	0	28
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES					15		15
	ACRES					6		6
Southern Area	FIRES			2		18		20
	ACRES			1		68		69
TOTAL	FIRES	5	0	3	0	38	9	55
	ACRES	12	0	21	0	90	1	124

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	1	1		104	4	111
	ACRES	0	2	0		7,892	319	8,213
Northwest	FIRES	27	13	5		72	31	148
	ACRES	142	11	8		153	32	346
Northern California	FIRES					134	29	163
	ACRES					36	25	61
Southern California	FIRES	1	6	2	1	241	47	298
	ACRES	2	11	0	1	615	19	648
Northern Rockies	FIRES	245	3	16		76	18	358
	ACRES	4,559	136	500		1,244	1,291	7,730
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	11			10	3	25
	ACRES	790	4			130	0	924
Western Great Basin	FIRES		11	2	3	2		18
	ACRES		14	70	6	0		90
Southwest	FIRES	130	137	5	5	218	105	600
	ACRES	5,837	3,210	9,001	9	23,459	17,507	59,023
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	37	9	13	2	86	22	169
	ACRES	2,427	11	148	3	14,852	1,614	19,055
Eastern Area	FIRES	492		28	31	6,245	361	7,157
	ACRES	7,052		1,518	940	52,772	7,429	69,711
Southern Area	FIRES	154		65	8	11,835	384	12,446
	ACRES	25,660		5,036	147	130,791	10,286	171,920
TOTAL	FIRES	1,088	191	137	50	19,023	1,004	21,493
	ACRES	46,469	3,399	16,281	1,106	231,944	38,522	337,721

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>31,761</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>643,014</b>

\*\*\* Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. \*\*\*

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						29	29
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2				1	3
	ACRES		425				0	425
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		73					73
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						276	276
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					67		67
Southern Area	FIRES			1		1	4	6
	ACRES			110		2,230	1,549	3,889
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	1	0	3	8	14
	ACRES	0	498	110	0	2,297	1,854	4,759

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					426		426
Northwest	FIRES	17	74	33	2		145	271
	ACRES	4,086	9,328	2,054	249		8,599	24,316
Northern California	FIRES	12	15	120	21		102	270
	ACRES	188	527	19,917	1,217		7,348	29,197
Southern California	FIRES	1	4	4	3		52	64
	ACRES	1,000	473	8	1,308		2,012	4,801
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	23	64	1	26	186	303
	ACRES	135	3,179	10,216	1	1,603	18,643	33,777
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	11	4	1	12	13	42
	ACRES	1	3,739	711	11	383	2,501	7,346
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	10				13
	ACRES		74	2,711				2,785
Southwest	FIRES	3	23	2	7		202	237
	ACRES	631	22,602	3,210	12,175		52,898	91,516
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	29	36	92	12	15	91	275
	ACRES	3,709	8,062	17,155	10,309	2,476	24,974	66,685
Eastern Area	FIRES	29		379	32	982	122	1,544
	ACRES	17,410		61,548	4,272	61,874	24,384	169,488
Southern Area	FIRES	34		134	35	324	990	1,517
	ACRES	7,180		73,194	16,044	212,049	825,470	1,133,937
TOTAL	FIRES	129	189	842	114	1,362	1,903	4,539
	ACRES	34,340	47,984	190,724	45,586	278,811	966,829	1,564,274

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**WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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**CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	2	0	179	657
Yukon Territory	0	0	10	26
Alberta	15	1,341	410	10,324
Northwest Territory	0	0	2	301
Saskatchewan	4	0	78	3,898
Manitoba	2	8	52	1,049
Ontario	1	0	131	453
Quebec	1	0	194	212
Newfoundland	1	19	29	84
New Brunswick	0	0	173	235
Nova Scotia	0	0	143	442
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	12	34
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>17,714</b>

**RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES**

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	5	9	1			4			46	18
Northwest										
Northern California										
Southern California										
Northern Rockies			5							
Eastern Great Basin			2							
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	4	4	3	22	2				42	20
Rocky Mountain			2							
Eastern Area									1	
Southern Area										
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>38</b>

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